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## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- An ergonomic hopper holder, for use with spray
   application equipment wherein the spray application
   equipment includes a source of pressurized air, a
   pressurized air line coupled to the source, a spray gun
   pneumatically coupled to the air line, and a supply hopper
   coupled to the gun, said ergonomic hopper holder
   comprising:
  - a vertical support member having a holster end and an opposite hopper end, said vertical support member further including a hopper hanger proximate to said hopper end;
- an arm member having a support end and a spray gun
  end, said arm member further including a spray
  gun support proximate to said spray gun end for
  supporting a spray gun, said arm member being
  pivotably joined to said vertical support member;
  and
  - a holster and belt combination capable of being worn by an artisan,

wherein in use of said ergonomic hopper holder, (i) said holster end of said vertical support member is inserted

into said holster, (ii) the hopper is engaged by said hopper hanger, and (iii) the spray gun is engaged by said spray gun support.

- 5 2. The ergonomic hopper holder of claim 1, further including a neck strap coupled to said vertical support member.
- 3. The ergonomic hopper holder of claim 1, wherein said 10 vertical support member comprises at least a pair of telescoping concentric tubes and a locking pin provided therethrough, whereby said tubes are capable of being maintained in a desired length relationship.

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